

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF THE
FORT BERTHOLD RESERVATION**

- WHEREAS,** This Nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and
- WHEREAS,** The Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS,** Article VI, Section 5(d) of the Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to negotiate with agencies of the United States such as the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and to advise and consult with representatives of that Department on all actions which may affect the Fort Berthold Reservation; and
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes agrees that the federal deficit must be reduced, however, the domestic programs (particularly Indian Housing) have already suffered not only disproportionate but life-threatening cuts, and should not face the further burden of fiscal reductions; and
- WHEREAS,** The only program to prove itself successful at providing housing for low-income families residing on Indian reservations has been the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Indian Housing Program, and the goal of providing housing assistance to Native Americans can only be accomplished through the continuing federal support of that Program; and
- WHEREAS,** The Three Affiliated Tribes is in full agreement with the United Native American Housing Association's assessment that there is a continuing need of 6,000 homes, allocated on an annual basis, to meet the severe housing shortage needs of Native American communities whose sole source of housing is the Federal government; and

WHEREAS, The evidence of need in Indian Country for additional housing units is based on Indian Housing Authorities' waiting lists for Mutual Help and for Low Rent units; and

WHEREAS, The Office of Management and Budget FY 1990 Budget "pass back" has zeroed out funding for Indian Housing in the 1990 Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby respectfully requests that President Bush be encouraged to renew his commitment to housing for low-income people by submitting his own plan for supporting housing and community development programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Tribal Business Council also respectfully requests that the President and Congress cooperate to implement the reinstatement of at least 6,000 new units of housing to the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Indian Housing Program for Fiscal Year 1990 and until the unmet need is satisfied.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 5 were present at a Special Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 1st day of March, 1989; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the affirmative vote of 5 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated the 1st day of March, 1989.

Paul Loufy
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:

Debra Ann Smith - Chairman
Chairman, Tribal Business Council